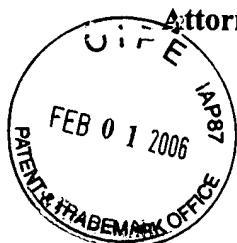


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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the Examiner's communication mailed December 27, 2005, having a deadline for response expiring January 27, 2006. Applicants hereby elect to prosecute Invention II of the restriction requirement for this application, with traverse, as follows:

II. **Claims 17-38, drawn to a method for stimulating angiogenesis, or stimulation myogenesis, elevating levels of an angiogenic factor, stimulation endogenous production of an antiopoeitin, treating diabetes in a subject, classified in class 514, subclass 44.**

The remaining restricted groups will be prosecuted separately under divisional applications.

The inventorship of the application has not changes as a result of this invention election.

The Examiner has required Applicant to select a specific sequence ID and further required the Applicant to select only one goal of treatment. Applicants hereby elect to prosecute SEQID No: 1 and select stimulating angiogenesis as the goal of treatment.

The Examiner is invited to give the undersigned a telephone call if there are any questions.

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